

IN THE CLAIMS:

1-15. (Cancelled)

16. (New) A card adapter for coupling a compact memory card to a card receiver, comprising:

an adapter body insertable along a first direction into a card receiver, said body having an inlet for receiving along a second direction a compact memory card, said first and second directions being orthogonal, said adapter body and said card receiver are substantially coplanar; and

a circuit board within said body, said circuit board comprising;

a first connector connecting said card adapter to said card receiver;

a second connector connecting said card adapter to said compact memory card;

and

a circuit coupling said first and second connectors for converting signals between said first and second connectors.

17. (New) The card adapter of claim 16, wherein the circuit board mounts the first connector, the second connector and a signal processing circuit to a same surface, and has a foldable structure.

18. (New) The card adapter of claim 16, wherein the circuit board comprises a main

board, a sub-board and a flexible bend to connect the main board and the sub-board, and is folded at the flexible bend to insert into a card holder, and the main board and the sub-board faces each other in the body.

19. (New) The card adapter of claim 18, wherein the sub-board mounts the first connector and the second connector in a same surface,

the main board mounts a signal processing circuit to the same surface, and

the first connector and the second connector are connected via the signal processing circuit.

20. (New) The card adapter of claim 18, wherein at least one of the main board and the sub-board in a folded structure has an opening equal to or wider than the card holder in a portion corresponding to the card holder.

21. (New) The card adapter of claim 18, wherein the main board is L-shaped and is positioned on a second connector housing when the main board is folded.

22. (New) The card adapter of claim 18, wherein the card holder is formed between one surface of the body and the sub-board.

23. (New) The card adapter of claim 18, wherein the card holder is formed by one surface of the card case, the sub-board and the housing of the second connector.

24. (New) The card adapter of claim 18, wherein housing of the second connector holds a distance between the main board and the sub-board facing each other.

25. (New) the card adapter of claim 16, wherein the circuit board connects the first

connector and the second connector electrically, and mounts a circuit to convert a pin arrangement.

26. (New) A card adapter for coupling a compact memory card to a card receiver, comprising:

an adapter body insertable along a first direction into a card receiver, said body having an inlet for receiving along a second direction a compact memory card, said first and second directions being orthogonal, said adapter body and said card receiver are substantially coplanar;

a circuit board within said body, said circuit board comprising;

a first connector connecting said card adapter to said card receiver;

a second connector connecting said card adapter to said compact memory card;

and

a circuit coupling said first and second connectors for converting signals between said first and second connectors; and

a holder for the compact memory card inserted from the inlet, wherein the circuit board mounts a signal processing circuit, the first connector and the second connector on one surface, and has a structure enable to fold until both of the circuit boards face each other, and wherein the surface mounted with the signal processing circuit is appressed to a circuit board support provided on a housing of the second connector to keep a distance between both of the folded

circuit boards in a prescribed dimension.

27. (New) The card adapter of claim 26, wherein the circuit board connects the first connector and the second connector electrically, and mounts a circuit to convert a pin arrangement.

28. (New) A card adapter for coupling a compact memory card to a card receiver, comprising:

an adapter body insertable along a first direction into a card receiver, said body having an inlet for receiving along a second direction a compact memory card, said first and second directions being orthogonal, said adapter body and said card receiver are substantially coplanar;

a circuit board within said body, said circuit board comprising;

a first connector connecting said card adapter to said card receiver;

a second connector connecting said card adapter to said compact memory card;

and

a circuit coupling said first and second connectors for converting signals between said first and second connectors; and

a holder for the compact memory card inserted from the inlet, wherein the circuit board mounts a signal processing circuit, the first connector and the second connector on one surface, and has a structure enable to fold until both of the circuit boards face each other, and wherein the

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circuit board in a folded structure where the both circuit boards face each other is bonded to the body with insulating adhesives to keep a distance between both of the folded circuit boards in a prescribed dimension.

29. (New) The card adapter of claim 28, wherein the body has a top surface and a bottom surface, and the main board is bonded inside of the top surface via an insulating adhesive layer and the sub-board is bonded inside of the bottom surface via the adhesive layer.

30. (New) The card adapter of claim 28, wherein the circuit board connects the first connector and the second connector electrically, and mounts a circuit to convert a pin arrangement.